

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 2, 2020

6:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 330 North Main Street Suite 200 Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** Those present recited the Pledge to the Flag.

**PRAYER:** Councilman Bridges led those present in prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** Bob Bridges, Elton Marzon, Mike Daubenspeck, and Nick Culley (Youth Liaison) answered roll call. Brad Berkemeier arrived later in the meeting via Zoom. Aaron Gurley was not present.

**PUBLIC HEARING – 15<sup>TH</sup> STREET NAME CHANGE:** The public meeting was declared open. There were no questions or comments. Daubenspeck moved to close the public hearing. Marzon seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

**MINUTES:** Bridges moved to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting as presented. Daubenspeck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Pavey reported that he received a letter of resignation from Board of Works member, John Williams effective November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** None.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Stellar Designation** – Nothing.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – Nothing.
- **APC/BZA** – Nothing.
- **Housing** – The project is moving forward.
- **ECDC** – Nothing.

- **Cherry Street Extension** – We had our quarterly report meeting today with Indot.

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Park** – Director Burklow said he met with a focus group in Connersville today to discuss how the City of Rushville progressed with our amphitheater.

We are planning a ribbon cutting for the fitness equipment November 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

**Street** – Assistant Street Commissioner Land reported that they have started picking up leaves. They are also completing the cleanup of the structure that was next to the post office.

**Fire** – Chief Munson reported that the Board of Works approved moving 2 medics to fire medics and to hire a civilian medic.

**Police** – Chief Tucker said that Officer Claycomb will graduate from the Indiana Police Academy November 13<sup>th</sup>. He will return to work on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Starting this Friday and for the next 3 Fridays we will have 11 City employees taking classes on the FFA drone pilot license program. This will give us a pool of employees certified on the use of the drone.

**Code** – We will order a structural inspection on the property at 226 N Main.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** None.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Rushville Property Revitalization** – Formerly Big O Tire – 30 day delay. We have two parties interested and they have been meeting with Brian Sheehan.
2. **Diversity and Inclusion Council** – Nothing.
3. **Protest Guidelines** – Work in Progress. We have received comments from Tucker. We are waiting to hear back from Jenkins and Mike Land
  - Ordinance 2020-25 – Noise Control
  - Ordinance 2020-26 – Special Events
4. **Resolution 2020-39 Re-Naming 15<sup>th</sup> Street** – Marzon moved to approve Resolution 2020-39 changing the name of 15<sup>th</sup> Street to Veteran's Memorial Parkway. Daubenspeck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

*Councilman Berkemeier joined the meeting via Zoom at 6:10 p.m.*

5. **Budget** – MVH Meeting scheduled – Mayor Pavey and Clerk-Treasurer are meeting to make adjustments to the MVH budget.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **ECDC Strategic Plan** – McCane reported that they have signed a contract with HWC. They are putting together a timeline.

He said Cormo is having difficulty getting their equipment from Europe due to Europe shutting down due to Covid.

The Commissioners voted to remove the 40 acre rule as of last Friday. This will help open opportunities to build housing.

2. **CARES ACT Resolution 2020-45 – Reconciling Resolution 2020-38 & 2020-43** – Bridges moved to approve Resolution 2020-45. Marzon seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **HWC Rough Draft** – The Utility Board and Mayor Pavey are reviewing.

#### **COVID-19**

1. **County Commissioners Resolution** – Pavey said he sent Council a copy of information from the Governor and a copy of a resolution by the County, City, and School following the Governor's restrictions. We are only accepting visitors at City Center by appointment until our numbers slow down or flatten. This also allows us to continue Zoom meetings and to legally vote on something via Zoom. It also limits gatherings to not more than 75 people.

**CLAIMS AND MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION** –Bridges moved to approve the claims and September 2020 bank reconciliation as presented. Daubenspeck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** McCane informed Council that Rush County's unemployment rate is currently at 4.4% which is very good.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before Council; Daubenspeck moved to adjourn. Marzon seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.